

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE  
GREENEVILLE DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	)	
	)	
Plaintiff,	)	2:23-CR-26
	)	
vs.	)	
	)	
ANA ISABEL RIVERA,	)	
	)	
Defendant.	)	

**REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION**

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(b), I conducted a plea hearing in this case on July 27, 2023. At the hearing, Defendant entered a plea of guilty to Count One of the Indictment. She entered her plea with a plea agreement. On the basis of the record made at the hearing, I find Defendant is fully capable and competent to enter an informed plea; the plea is made knowingly and with full understanding of each of the rights waived by Defendant; the plea is made voluntarily and free from any force, threats, or promises, apart from the promises contained in the plea agreement; Defendant understands the nature of the charge and penalties provided by law; and the plea has a sufficient basis in fact.

For these reasons, I **RECOMMEND** that Defendant's plea of guilty to Count One of the Indictment be accepted and that the Court adjudicate Defendant guilty of the charge set forth in that count. Additionally, the United States Probation Office advised that Defendant has been fully compliant with her conditions of release to date, and the United States advised that it did not oppose Defendant remaining on release pending sentencing. In considering the recommendation of the United States Probation Office, the lack of objection by the United States, and applicable law, I further **RECOMMEND** that Defendant remain on release pending sentencing in this matter. The

parties have been advised that acceptance of the plea, adjudication of guilt, and imposition of sentence are specifically reserved for the district judge.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/Cynthia Richardson Wyrick  
United States Magistrate Judge

#### **NOTICE TO PARTIES**

You have the right to *de novo* review of the foregoing findings by the district judge. Any application for review must be in writing, must specify the portions of the findings or proceedings objected to, and must be filed and served no later than **Friday, August 11 2023**. Failure to file objections within this time frame constitutes a waiver of any further right to challenge the plea of guilty in this matter. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 636(b).